

L. H. J. As I have endeavoured to give you all the Satisfaction in my
 Liber No. 46 Power on these Points, there can be no Question, but you will be
 enabled hereby to furnish your Council with what is really necessary,
 and more especially since it is the Right of receiving and not the
 Sum received that gives occasion for this unhappy Difference; and
 indeed this last Reasoning appears so conclusive to me, (and I dare
 say will to every unprejudiced Person) that it is hardly possible but
 that all your Constituents must see and Confess the Force of it

T. Bladen

Which was read and ordered to lie for further Consideration

Richard Lee Esq^{re} from the Upper House delivers M^r Speaker
 the Bill entituled, An Act for the easier and better securing the
 Estates of Debtors absconding, and of persons Bankrupt, for the
 use of their Creditors, and equal Distribution of the same

With the following Message. (See page 296.)

p. 606 Which being read, Resolved, That the said Bill tends greatly to the
 ease and Benefit of the people of Maryland, and that altho there
 should have appeared to the Upper House some Inconsistencies and
 Contradictions therein upon it's now being first framed, the same
 might have been by them with little Trouble Pointed out, and the
 Bill regulated by their Proposing proper Amendments, which, by
 its being returned with a general negative is now prevented: Ordered
 therefore, that the said Bill be entered in the Iournal, and printed
 in the votes, that the Public may have an opportunity of consider-
 ing and offering their Sentiments thereupon, whereby in some future
 Session, one more agreeable and useful may be proposed The Bill
 is as follows.

An Act for the easier and better securing the Estates of Debtors
 absconding, and of Persons Bankrupt, for the use of their Creditors,
 and equal Distribution of the same

Whereas great and excessive Charges daily arise on the manner of
 suing out attachments for coming at the Estates of Persons abscond-
 ing for Debt out of this Province, as well as that of Bankrupts in
 other Parts who have Estates and Effects within the same: For the
 Prevention of which Evil for the future, and to render such Estate
 and Effects of more general use to the fair and honest Creditors of
 such Persons so absconding or becoming Bankrupt than have hitherto
 been It is humbly prayed that it may be Enacted

And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary,
 by and with the advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and
 the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the
 same, That from and After the tenth Day of October next, so often
 as any Person or Persons Inhabitants Actually residing within this
 Province shall be sued, and any Writ or Summons issuing out of
 any Court within the same shall be returned non est inventus, a